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| Title:         | METHOD OF CONSTRUCTING HYPERELLIPTIC<br>CURVES SUITABLE FOR CRYPTOGRAPHIC PURPOSES<br>AND CRYPTOGRAPHIC APPARATUS USING SUCH A<br>METHOD |               |                  |            |

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** there are no amendments in this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.